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Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action of November 2, 2004, wherein restriction has been required, Applicants respectfully elect Claims Group I, Species 1, claims 1-6 with traverse and without waiving any rights for reconsideration. Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitation of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

Group I, Species 2, claims 7-12; Group II, Species 1 claims 13-16; and Group II, Species 2 claims 17-20 are to be held in abeyance for preparation of a divisional application in the event reconsideration is denied. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the requirement for restriction and that the requirement be removed.

No additional fee is required

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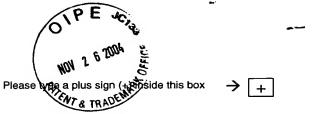
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